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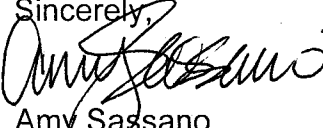
Chairman Beck and
Members of the Joint Appropriations Committee on General Government:

In response to the discussions in the January 31st committee, I have worked with agency information technology staff to review the Governor's Office computer replacement schedule. We determined how to move the agency to a schedule that maintains a 5-year replacement cycle and maintains approximately one-fifth of the cost each year. The agency could accomplish this with the current decision package that has been passed by the committee if the one-time-only designation were removed. This would eliminate the need for the agency to request decision packages with large swings in them from biennium to biennium.

As I understood the discussion and the comments of several committee members, this is the information that was requested. In addition, information regarding how many computers would be replaced is included below.

	FY 2012	FY 2013
Desktop Computers	16	6
Laptop Computers	1	2
Servers	0	2

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at asassano@mt.gov, 444-0619, or in room 251 of the Capitol building.

Sincerely,

Amy Sassano
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